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Attorney Docket No. : 500249.01 (660082.527M)

Serial No. : 09/153,994

Group Art Unit : 2126

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Title : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ENHANCING RELIABILITY OF COMMUNICATION WITH ELECTRONIC MESSAGES

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

Please note that Applicant paid the 2-month extension fee due of \$410 with the Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 initially filed with the Patent Office on May 5, 2003. Currently Applicant's balance is \$520 which is the difference between the 2-month and the 3-month extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1266 in the amount of \$1270, which includes \$520 for the cost of the extension fee and \$750 for the Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 filing fee.

1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114a. ☒ Submission previously submittedi. ☒ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on May 5, 2003.

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- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
- iii. ☐ Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on _____.

- b. ☐ Submission enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

2. Suspension of Action (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

3. Accompanying Papers

- ☒ Fax Cover Sheet
- ☒ General Authorization
- ☒ Fee Transmittal Sheet
- ☐ Petition

4. Deposit Account

- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required in the above-identified patent application to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

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General Authorization	1
Request for Continued Examination	2
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